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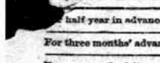
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship BURMAH, 1,025 tons, 200 H. P., Commander H. T. Dickinson, will be despatched on the 12th April 1870, at noon.

Leave Bombay	April 1870	Leave Galle	April.
" Carwar	13	" Negapatam	22
" Mangalore	14	" Pondicherry	23
" Tellicherry	14	" Madras	23
" Cannanore	15	" Coconada	28
" Calicut	15	" Visagapatam	29
" Beypore	16	" Bimlipatam	29
" Cochin	16	" Gopalpore	30
			May.
" Tuticorin	17	" False Point	1
" Colombo	18	Arrive Calcutta	2

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neighgerrie district, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

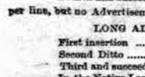
Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bushire, Fao, Mahomerah, and Bussorah.

The Steam-ship ABYSSINIA, 1,129 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. C. Sharp, will be despatched on the 4th April 1870, at noon.

Up.	April.	Down.	April.
Leave Bombay	4	Leave Bussorah	22
" Kurrachee	8	" Mahomerah	22
" Gwadur	9	" Fao	21
" Muscat	12	" Bushire	21
" Bunder Abbas	14	" Linga	26
" Linga	15	" Bunder Abbas	28
" Bushire	18	" Muscat	30
" Fao	19	" Gwadur	May. 2
" Mahomerah	19	" Kurrachee	4
Arrive Bussorah	20	Arrive Bombay	7

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every Monday at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

Via Suez Canal.

THE new A. I. Screw Steamer BYWELL CASTLE, 891 tons register, 120 horse power, will be despatched hence about 5th proximo. For Freight only apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 23rd March 1870.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE A. I. Screw Steamer MILBANKE, 843 tons register, 150 Horse Power, Captain Smith, will be despatched hence about 5th proximo. For freight only apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 23rd March 1870.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST.

Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL OUTRAM, and TILLY.

ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days :—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Leave Bombay	Saturday.	Leave Cochin	Friday.
" Ratnagherry	Sunday.	" Beypore	Saturday.
" Malwan	"	" Calicut	"
" Vingoria	"	" Tellicherry	"
" Goa	Monday.	" Cannanore	"
" Carwar	"	" Mangalore	Sunday.
" Compta	"	" Compta	Monday.
" Mangalore	Tuesday.	" Carwar	"
" Cannanore	Wednesday.	" Goa	Tuesday.
" Tellicherry	"	" Vingoria	"
" Malwan	"	" Malwan	"
" Beypore	"	" Ratnaghery	Wednesday
Arrive Cochin	Thursday.	Arrive Bombay	Thursday.

The Steamer TILLY, Captain Hana, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY next, the 2nd proximo, at 4 P.M.

NOWROJEE BHICAJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazaar Street, 28th March, 1870.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamer BENGAL, (2185 Tons and 465 H. P.) will be despatched to LIVERPOOL via the CANAL about the end of April.

She will carry passengers at the following rates :—

TO SUEZ	£40
TO PORT SAID	£42
TO LIVERPOOL	£60

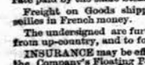
For Freight or Passage apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY
Superintendent P. & O. Company.

Bombay, 16 h March 1870.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE
(via SUEZ CANAL.)

DIRECT SERVICE BETWEEN BOMBAY and MARSEILLES, touching at ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, and MARSEILLES.



LA COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.—MARC FRAISSINET PERE and FILS will DESPATCH STEAMERS MONTHLY from BOMBAY to MARSEILLES, via the SUEZ CANAL, thus dispensing with the necessity of transhipment of Goods and Passengers at Suez and Alexandria.

Freight.—The Company undertake to grant through Bills of Lading for Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Malta, Marseilles, Genoa, Leghorn, Civita Vecchia, Naples, Barcelona, Havre, and other Continental Ports. They have also made arrangements to forward Cotton at a through rate from Bombay to the principal towns in France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, and Spain.

Shippers will have the option, on due notice being given, of detaining at Marseilles Cotton destined for other parts of the Continent; the Freight on same to be regulated at the average rate paid by the same Steamer.

Freight on Goods shipped to Europe to be payable at Marseilles in French money.

The undersigned are further prepared to receive Merchandize from up-country, and to forward same to any part of Europe.

INSURANCE may be effected on very moderate terms, under the Company's Floating Policy, on goods shipped by their own Steamers. Premiums of Insurance from Bombay to Marseilles ½ per cent.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of Wines, and all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
To Aden	£ 55	£ 15
" Suez	£ 49	£ 24
" Port Said	£ 49	£ 24
" Marseilles	£ 56	£ 36

Children over three and under ten years of age, half fare.

In accordance with the above, the Steam Ship ASIE, 1,200 tons, Captain Lauvens, will be despatched from Bombay on or about the 5th April, and will be followed by the EUROPE, Captain Martino, to sail about the 3rd May next.

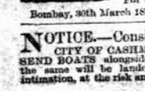
For further particulars, rates of Freight, &c., apply to

HORMUSJEE BHICAJEE, & Co., Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, 8th March, 1870.

FOR LONDON VIA HAVRE.

(With Despatch.)



THE ship DILHARREE, A. I. 16 years, at Lloyds, 1,295 tons register, W. H. Besset, Commander, has excellent accommodation for passengers—

For further particulars apply to

W. NICOL & Co.

Bombay, 30th March 1870.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per ship CITY OF CASHMERE, from Glasgow, are requested to SEND BOATS alongside at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by Captain Barge without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

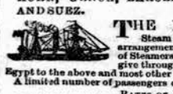
W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents of Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 27th March 1870.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL, LONDON, TRIESTE, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, VENICE, NAPLES, LEGHORN, GENOA, BARCELONA, HAVRE, ADEN, AND SUEZ.



THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company, under arrangements with other first class lines of Steamers from Alexandria, undertake to give through Bills of Lading for Goods via Egypt to the above and most other Continental Ports.

A limited number of passengers can be accommodated.

Rates of Fare.

To Suez—1st class £40, 2nd class £22. 10s. } Exclusive
To Trieste—1st class £53, 2nd class £34., } of Wines.

Exclusive of Transit.

Passengers by or for our Steamers will be furnished with First-class Tickets between Alexandria and Marseilles by Messrs. Fraissinet & Co.'s line for £10; making the passage-money between Bombay and Marseilles £50, exclusive of transit in Egypt.

For Freight or Passage apply to Messrs. Stephen, Kennard & Co., London; Messrs. Tod, Kennard & Co., Liverpool; Messrs. Tod, Rathbone & Co., Alexandria; Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company, Trieste and Venice; Messrs. Fraissinet Pere et Fils, Marseilles; and Messrs. R. Rubattino and Co., Genoa; or to the undersigned in Bombay.

The Steam-ship MAGDALA, 2,200 Tons, Captain Thompson, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 25th April via the Canal to Liverpool.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

THE BOMBAY AND BENGAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

To LIVERPOOL via CANAL.

THE MAGDALA, leaving 25th April, and the NEERA, 21st May, will be despatched via the Canal to LIVERPOOL.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY THROUGH TO LIVERPOOL.

First Class £55
Second Class £35

STEARNS, HOBART & Co.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

IN addition to the Monthly Line of Steamers between BOMBAY and TRIESTE, the Company have resolved upon establishing a transhipment service at Port Said for goods shipped for Trieste by steamers sailing under any flag whatever from the JAPANESE, CHINESE, and INDIAN Ports to MEDITERRANEAN or BRITISH Ports via Suez Canal.

Merchants and Shippers, who avail themselves of this mode of conveyance, are respectfully requested to address such goods to the Austrian Lloyd's Agency at Port Said, which will care for their transhipment upon and forwarding by the Company's weekly steamers, running between that port and Trieste, via ALEXANDRIA, charging the following rates of freight :—

Cotton, Wool, Skins, Tea	24 shillings per ton of 40 Eng. c. ft.	
Indigo, Silk	60 "	20 cwt.
Gum, Incense, Coffee, Pepper	60 "	20 cwt.
Oil-Seeds, Ginger, Rice, Oils, &c.	40 "	20 cwt.

inclusive of transhipment-expenses, as also of eventual charges for disembarkment, storing, and re-embarkment. On these rates a reduction of 8s. per ton of 20 cwt. is allowed when goods are received and embarked at Port Said by any other medium than that of the Lloyd's Agency.

The Company undertake, at Merchant's request, the Insurance against Sea risks at the following premium per cent last.

From Port Said to Trieste	8 shillings	from 1st of April to 30th Sep.
"	10 "	1st of Oct. to 31st Mar.

Goods for Odessa and ports of the Syrian, Turkish and Greek Coasts, touched at by the Company's steamers, will also be received and forwarded at the above rates of freight.

Trieste, 16th February 1870.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. GUMPERT & C. GUMPERT,
Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 23rd March 1870.

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH ENGLAND.

On Sunday, the 3rd April, at 7 A.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. BEHAR, (1,603 tons, and 300 H. P.) Captain W. B. Hall, will LEAVE FOR SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'S Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Genoa, Barcelona and Havre, Liverpool, or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 10 A.M. on Saturday the 2nd proximo.

The P. & O. S. N. Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon by noon on the day before the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

Passengers who prefer going on board the night before will be allowed to do so.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 5-30 P. M. on Saturday, the 2nd April, and again at 7 A.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Rampart Row, Bombay, 30th March 1870.

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

Gentlemen proceeding Home will find all that is requisite in the following detailed list; the Goods being made specially for the passage and Home wear :—

REQUIREMENTS.

½ Dozen Silk and Wool Shirts.	1 Rug with straps.
2 " Under Vests.	1 Maud.
2 " Linen Collars.	1 Inverness Cape.
1 " Fine Cotton Socks.	1 Hand Portmanteau.
1 " Fine Merino Socks.	2 Overland Trunks.
1 " Fine Merino Drawers.	1 Clothes Bag.
½ " Colored Handkerchiefs.	1 Travelling Hat.
1 " White Cambric.	1 Courier Bag.
1 Overland Suit.	1 Easy Chair.
2 Sleeping Suits.	1 Umbrella.
2 Pairs of Kid Gloves.	1 Pair of Brushes.
2 Scarfs and Ties.	Ladies' Hand and Hand Trunks.

Return Fares.—First Class Passengers embarking from India by the P. and O. Co.'s Steamer within six months of their arrival from England, and vice versa, will be allowed a reduction of 20 per cent. on the Return Passage Money.

Bombay. BADHAM & Co., Apollo House.

FOR LONDON.

Calling at Havre, if sufficient inducement offer.

THE new first class AA. 1 Iron Ship BRITISH EMPIRE, 1,492 tons register, Alexander Duncland, Commander, having fully half of her Cargo engaged, will have prompt despatch. She has superior accommodation for a few First Class Passengers, for particulars regarding which or freight apply to

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co.,
Agents Ship British Empire.

Bombay, 31st March 1870.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Now Ready,

BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

The Bombay Gazette Overland Summary, prepared for despatch by each Overland Mail for Europe, contains, in addition to all the News of the Week, a specially-written Market and Freight Report, and a well-digested Summary of Events.

Annual Subscription (in advance) Rs. 12
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Now Ready,

THE BOMBAY PRICE CURRENT AND SUMMARY OF TRADE.

Published once a fortnight at the *Bombay Gazette* Office, on the departure of every alternate Mail for Europe.

The Bombay Price Current contains :—

A Specially-Written Market Report.
Freight Report, with statement of Ships chartered, &c.
Export Manifests of Vessels which have sailed during the Fortnight.
Quotations of Imports and Exports, and Customs' Duties.
Comparative Summary of Exports from Bombay, up to date, as per Ships' Manifests, with the total Exports for the three months, and for the same period as far back as 1862.
Comparative Summaries of Imports of Piece Goods and of Yarns into Bombay from Great Britain up to date, with the total for the three months and the same period as far back as 1862 and 1850 respectively.
Share List and Rates of Exchange.
List of Vessels in Bombay Harbour on the date of publication, and of arrivals and departures of Vessels during the fortnight.

Annual Subscription (in advance).....Rs. 10
Single Copy..... Annas 8
" Bombay Gazette" Office, Medow Street, Fort.

FOR HONGKONG.

THE A. 1 Screw Steamer NIGER, 1,100 tons register. This vessel, shortly expected from England via the Suez Canal, has excellent accommodation for First Class Passengers, and will be despatched hence promptly after arrival, the greater part of the cargo required being engaged. For further particulars apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 1st April 1870.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Direct Service between Bombay, Messina, Naples, Leghorn, and Genoa.)

THE Italian Steam Ship Company of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., under contract with the Italian Government, intend to ESTABLISH a regular LINE of STEAMERS between the abovenamed Italian Ports and Bombay, carrying beside Goods, First, Second, and Third Class Passengers at the following rates :—

(Inclusive of Wines and all transit fees through the Canal.)

	First Class. £	Second Class. £	Third Class, exclusive of food. £
To Aden	23	15	4
" Suez	38	22	8
" Port Said	40	24	9
" Messina	48	33	12
" Naples	50	35	13
" Leghorn	53	36	15
" Genoa	53	36	15

Children under 3 years, free of charge.

Children not above 10 years, half fare.

2 Children paying half fare and belonging to one party to occupy one berth only.

Return Tickets, available for six months, will be issued with an allowance of 20 per cent on the return fare.

In accordance with the above the steamer AFRICA, 1,300 tons, Captain Razzolini, will be despatched from Bombay on or about the 10th instant.

Insurance may be effected on very moderate terms under the Company's Floating Policy on goods shipped by their own Steamers.

For further particulars, rates of freight, &c., apply to

VOLKART BROTHERS.

Agents, Rubattino Steam Ship Company.

Bombay, 1st April 1870.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL, GRANT ROAD.

Sole Lessee ..... Mr. DAVE CARSON.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!! TO-NIGHT!!!

SATURDAY, 2nd APRIL 1870.

MOST POSITIVELY THE LAST NIGHT OF THE PRESENT DRAMATIC TROUPE,

Who will appear in two of their best productions.

The Curtain will rise at 9 o'clock to H. T. Craven, Esq's much-admired Drama in two Acts, entitled,

THE POST BOY.

The Evening's Entertainment will conclude with the Famous Burlesque, adapted from the favourite Nursey Tale, by the Countess D'Almoi, entitled,

THE FAIR ONE WITH THE GOLDEN LOCKS;

OR

KING LACHRYMOSO.

Scene I.—PALACE OF KING LACHRYMOSO.

King Lachrymoso (Author of Rejected Addresses to the Fair One with the Golden Locks) ..... Mr. H. Richardson.
Count Pleniposo (Minister of State and Ambassador very extraordinary from King Lachrymoso to the Fair One with the Golden Locks) ..... Mr. W. South.
Viscount Veryoco (Grand Chamberlain) ... Mr. W. Burton.
Graceful (the King's Minstrel & Favorite) ... Mrs. H. Richardson.

Scene II.—THE MEADOWS.

A Carp (an odd fish completely out of water) ..... Miss Lee.
A Crow (an old Acquaintance, Resident of Bombay) ..... Mr. Rook.
An Owl (an illustrious Foreigner, a Regular Screamer, an Owld Bird) ... Mr. Screecher.

Scene III.—COURT OF QUEEN LUCIDORA.

Queen Lucidora (surnamed the "Fair One with the Golden Locks") ..... Miss Waddy Deering.
Mantelina ("Mistress of the Robes") ..... Miss Grace Cooke.
Papillotina ("First Lady's Maid in Waiting") ..... Miss Fanny Wiseman.

Scene IV.—A RUM-ANTIC-GLEN.

Galifron, a Gig-Antic Giant (standing nearly 12 feet in his shoes) ..... Mr. X-Tensive.

Scene V.—THE KING'S PALACE (as before).

Scene VI.—CORRIDOR IN THE KING'S PALACE.

Mollymopsa (Bed-Chamber Woman and House-Maid of Honor in His Majesty's Service) ..... Mr. Freeman.

Reserved Seats may be secured at Messrs. SOUNDY & Co.'s, where a plan of the Theatre can be seen.

Doors open at 8-15. Performance commences at 9 P.M.

MONDAY, 4th APRIL 1870.

GRAND EXTRA NIGHT.

UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE.

COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO DAVE CARSON, WHEN THE MINSTRELS AND SIGNOR DONATO, THE WONDERFUL ONE-LEGGED DANCER, WITH A HOST OF OTHER TALENT WILL APPEAR.

TOWN HALL, BOMBAY.

On THURSDAY, 7th April, A GRAND EVENING CONCERT will be given by Professor G. INZOLI, assisted by several Distinguished Amateurs of Bombay.

Reserved Seats.....Rs. 5. | Unreserved Seats.....Rs. 3.
Doors open at 8-30 P.M.; Concert to commence at 9 o'clock.
Tickets may be had at Messrs. SOUNDY & Co.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1. Duet for two Pianofortes, Grand Concerto—" Don Giovanni" ..... Mozart.
2. Vocal Duet, Tenor et Bariton, from " Lucia di Lammermoor" ..... Donizetti.
3. Pianoforte Duet, Fugue, (in D Major) ..... Bach.
4. Grand Air du l'Africaine, ... Meyerbeer.
5. Il Bacio, Suite labbra ..... Arditi.
6. Vocal Duet, Contralto and Tenor, Si la Stanchezza from "Trovatore" ..... Verdi.

PART II.

1. Pianoforte Solo, Andante e Variazioni, " Elesir d'Amore" ..... Thalberg.
2. La Chanson du Printemps ..... Gounod.
3. Clarinette Solo. ....
4. " Where thou tranquil Cloister," from " Favorita" ..... Donizetti.
5. Vocal Duet, Soprano and Bariton, from " Barbiere di Siviglia" ..... Rossini.

MR. P. A. LOPES,

PIANOFORTE TEACHER, TUNER, AND REPAIRER.

Pianos tuned and undertaken for repair, either at his own, or at the parties' residences, at any part of the Island.

Good references as to ability can be produced.

Letters addressed as below will be carefully attended to—

Nawab's House, Nesbit Lane, Byculla.

LIST of UNCLAIMED LETTERS that have accumulated in the BOMBAY GENERAL POST OFFICE up to 31st March 1870.

Abdool Hoosain Sher azi
Brown R W
Blackburn W
Boles G H
Carrol I
Cassinath Manockjee
Cowajee Nowrojee Nowrojee & Co.
Corlin
Dameram C M
D & M Purshotumdass & Co.
De Souza M A R Mrs
Durham H E
Dickinson Mrs
Davidson A
Dada Hasamunt
Dadabhoy Rustomjee
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Freeman H C
Francis F. Mrs
Gibbons Mrs
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Hormusjee Rustomjee & Co.
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Holdsworth
Hormusjee Dadabhoy Mrs
Ipscomb H E
Johnstone
Law W O
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Misrop I
Motiram Callianchund
McDant R
Motaram Poonjaram
Munore Hurkha
McCulloch W
Newton J W
Nash G E
Narayen Swamee Naidoo
Olsen P
Ollovir G
Parrack B D
Powell Mrs
Rouzetool Ekbar
Raumedi Mrs
Reeves Mrs
Remedios A
Rynd W W
Riback
Smith F
Shanrad Framjee
Stratton F
Searle J
Thompson Mrs
Turner H
Town Major of Bombay Cole Harbour
Taylor
Vickers G
Walker W
Woolger S Mrs
Watson J
Wright W
Young J W

C. A. STUART, Post Master.

P. GRANT and SON, SADDLERS, &c., have commenced business again at No. 9 Hummum Street, where all orders will be attended to.

Orders from Out-stations to be accompanied with remittance or reference for ayment in Bombay.

GEORGE NICOLL and Co.,

BOOT and SHOE MAKERS,

24, MEADOW STREET, BOMBAY.
1, EAST STREET, POONA.
ELPHINSTONE STREET, KURRACHEE.

WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY,

No. 9, MARINE STREET.

WENHAM LAKE ICE on SALE, wholesale and retail.

Pass Books for Monthly Credit Accounts available.

Particular attention paid to the execution of out-station orders.

Orders from out-stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

Orders by Telegraph should mention Bombay reference.

TOBACCO on SALE at the WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 9, Marine Street, Fort.

GOLDEN ORANGE HONEY DEW, 1 to 5 lbs., Rs. 1-8 per lb., 20 lbs. and upwards Re. 1 per lb.

VIRGINIA PLUM, 1 to 5 lbs. Re. 1 per lb.; 20 lbs. and upwards 14 annas per pound.

Orders from Out-Stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

SUNDRY ARTICLES of American Import on SALE at the WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Marine Street, Fort.

Kerosine Oil—best refined.	
900 Ash oars, 9 to 18 feet long	5 as. per foot.
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Platform Scales, weighing 1,200 lbs.	" 125 each.
Do. " 600 "	" 100 "
American Union Scales	" 30 "
Cheap Tea Scales, 8 lbs.	" 15 "
Do. 4 "	" 10 "
Post-office Scales, 1 cf.	" 10 "
Preserved Lobsters, 1 lb. tins	" 6 per dos.
Do. Oysters, "	" 6 "
Condensed Milk	" 12 "
American Cheese	" 1 per lb.

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KEROSINE OIL STREET LAMPS.—The undersigned have in stock a large supply of Victoria and Washington Street Lamps, as well as the internal parts of Victoria Street Lamps, which can be used in any ordinary Street lantern.

The Victoria or Washington Street Lamps are in extensive use in Bombay, throughout the Presidency, and in the Native States. They are adapted for Verandahs, Gardens, or any out-door lighting where a lamp is required that neither wind nor rain affects.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all PERSONS will be PROSECUTED both in the Civil and Criminal Courts who import or SELL MAGENTA COLOUR under fraudulent imitations, or otherwise wrongfully use any fraudulent imitation of the well known trade mark and package of Mr. John Simonin of Paris used in the sale of his Magenta Colour, and which trade mark is known in the Bazaar as the "Chokra Chokrie Chap" and has been duly registered.—Dated this 25th day of March 1870.

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Agents for Mr. John Simonin of Paris.

THE BOMBAY and BENGAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that in accordance with the provisions of Section 135 of the Indian Companies' Act 1866, a GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company WILL BE HELD, at the Office of Messrs. Stearns, Hobart, & Co., Elphinstone Circle, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th April next, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Liquidators' account of the manner in which the liquidation has been conducted during the past year.

G. A. KITTREDGE,
MORARJEE GOCULDAS, } Liquidators.

Bombay, 25th March 1870.

NOTICE.—TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, in H. M.'s Dockyard, on THURSDAY, the 7th April 1870, H M's Steamer COROMANDEL, of 1,221 Tons and 250 Horse Power, as she stands on the day of Sale.

Terms of Sale.—The sale of the vessel will not be considered final until the acceptance of the offer is sanctioned by Government, a deposit of 10 per cent is to be immediately paid down at the time of sale, and good security given by the purchasers for the payment of the remainder, which must be paid within eight days after the acceptance of the offer by Government, or the deposit will be forfeited and the vessel resold for the benefit of the State.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned

W. T. CROCKETT, Lieut. late I. N.,
Acting Marine Storekeeper.

Marine Storekeeper's Office, Bombay, 26th March 1870.

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Carriages built or repaired on the premises, under the superintendence of Mr. Burdett.

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Carriages and Horses bought, sold, and exchanged.

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ELPHINSTONE LAND and PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE.—The TENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders in the Elphinstone Land and Press Company (Limited) WILL BE HELD in the Office of the Company, Elphinstone Circle, on MONDAY, the Eleventh day of April 1870, at 3 P.M., instead of on FRIDAY, the Eighth day of April as previously advertised, for the following purposes :—

I. To receive the Report of the Directors, and the Accounts to 30th June 1869.

II. To declare a dividend.

III. To elect Directors in place of Messrs. Kessowjee Naik and Ahmedbhoy Hubibhboy, who retire by rotation, and to sanction the appointment of Mr. William Nicol, who has joined the Board during the year.

IV. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration; also to determine the remuneration to be made to Mr. G. R. Wilson for auditing the Books of the Company during the past year, he having completed the audit without any assistance from his co-Auditor.

By order of the Directors,
W. NICOL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 20th March 1870.

ELPHINSTONE LAND and PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 6TH to the 25TH APRIL 1870, inclusive.

By order of the Directors,
W. NICOL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 29th March 1870.

COTTON SEED.—The Cotton Commissioner is prepared to SUPPLY the following newly-imported COTTON SEED for sowing during the ensuing season :—

Egyptian	at Rs. 10 per cwt.
New Orleans	at Rs. 25 "
Sea Island	at Rs. 25 "
Peruvian	at Rs. 25 "
Bourbon	at Rs. 10 "

The above rates are exclusive of packing and transport charges, when forwarded to the Mofussil.

As a general average, an acre of ground requires from ten to twelve pounds of seed.

It is requested that requisitions may be forwarded with as little delay as possible (addressed to Mr. HARRISON, Senior Cotton Inspector), in order that applicants may be enabled to make their own arrangements for the careful preservation of their Seed until sowing time.

Applications for Hinganghat and Dharwar American Seed should be made at once to enable the Cotton Commissioner to estimate the total quantities of those Seeds which it will be necessary to procure.

G. F. FORBES, Cotton Commissioner.

Town Hall, Bombay, 19th March 1870.

GENERAL FAMILY PENSION FUND.

Board of Directors :
F. F. WYMAN, Esq., Chairman.
R. BLECHYNDEN, Esq., Deputy Chairman.

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Capt. J. G. BRYNING. | R. S. SANDEMAN, Esq.
A. E. HARRIS, Esq. | Capt. W. H. LAWLESS.
P. B. ROGERS, Esq.

Medical Referee :
Dr. C. T. O. WOODFORD,

Hours from 11 A.M. to 12 noon on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

This Fund has been established on principles similar to those of the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund, the chief difference being, that its benefits will extend to all classes of the community instead of being confined to one. The Tables adopted and, to a great extent, the Rules and Bye-Laws are those of the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund. At a GENERAL MEETING of SUBSCRIBERS, held on SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1870, at which the Rules and Bye-Laws were adopted, it was resolved, that as 100 names had already been enrolled, the Fund should commence business. The Secretaries are now, therefore, prepared to receive applications, and to furnish the necessary forms. The following Tables will show the amounts payable to secure the maximum pension, viz., for a widow Rs. 100, and for a child Rs. 80, per mensem. Should a smaller amount of pension be required, a proportionately less amount will have to be paid. Fuller particulars can be obtained at the office of the Fund.

GENERAL FAMILY PENSION FUND.

ABBREVIATED FROM TABLE A II., UNCOVENANTED FUND TABLE.

Table showing the Monthly Payments required to be made by a Husband to secure a Monthly Pension of One Hundred Rupees to his Wife in the event of her becoming a Widow.

MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

Wife's Age.												Joint Ages.
Husband.	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	Husband.
20	28	27	26	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
25	3	29	28	27	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
30	34	33	32	31	30	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
35	41	40	39	37	3	34	31	...	...	...	...	...	35
40	50	48	47	45	43	41	38	34	...	...	...	...	40
45	57	56	54	53	51	48	44	40	35	...	...	...	45
50	...	65	64	62	60	56	52	47	41	36	...	...	50
55	...	...	76	75	72	69	64	57	50	43	37	...	55
60	...

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET firm.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomal. value sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
10,000	100	all	10p.ct	Agra Bank	109
22,000	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,425
10,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	610
10,000	500	100		Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	177½
5,250	1,000	all	12 p.ct	Ditto of Madras	1,500
80,000	250	all	6 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. L.& China	33⅜
80,000	200	all	6 do.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	195
37,058	250	125	8 do.	National Bank of India	136
80,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	455

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 65	Colaba Land Co.	1,575
10,800	1,000	all	Rs. 30	Elphinstone Land	1,045
10,800	1,000	630	11-14	Do. New	670
5,000	150	all	Nil	Prare Land & Pier Co. Ld	175
2,000	5,000	4,100	Nil	Mazagon Land	1,040
5,000	2,000	1,400	Nil	Port Canning	270

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	218.3.0	p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock 235
...	£20	169.1.5	do.	Do. New £20 shares 197
...	£4	43.10.3	do.	Do.
...	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co. 1,100
...	£10	196.5.1	do.	Do. New Shares 200

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.	700
500	2,500	all	115*	Alliance Spinning	1,960
100	5,000	all	---	Bombay	2,800
200	1,000	all	30*	Bombay United	680
200	1,000	all	---	Branch Mills	160
200	500	all	---	Dharumsey Spinning	185
800	5,000	all	---	Great Eastern	1,220
750	2,000	all	150 p.	Manockji Petit's	740
500	1,000	all	50	Oriental	1,200
2,000	2,500	all	---	Royal	1,250
600	1,500	2,300	---		

*Per share for the half-year.

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate
London	At sight	1s. 11¾d.
London Banks	6 months' sight	1s. 11 13/16d.
Do. Credits	6 Do. do.	1s. 11 13/16d.
Do. Documents	6 Do. do.	2s. 1/16d.
Calcutta	At sight	100 par.
Do.	30 days' sight	99⅞
Do.	60 days' sight	99
Do.	At sight	99¼
Madras	30 days' sight	99
Do.	60 Do. do	98⅞
China		

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent.	112½
Five per cent.	107¼
Four per cent.	95
Five per cent. (Public Works Loan)	102½
ve per cent. Debenture Loan 1866-67	103¼
15 years' Debenture Loans	106
10 years' do. do.	106½
5 years' do. do.	102
x per sent. Municipal Loan House Rate	108
Do. Do. Market Rate	107½

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities	4 per cent
Mercantile Bills	6 ,,

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns each	Rs. 10-6
Bank of England Notes	,, 10-4
Carolus	,, 290
Mexican Dollars	,, 220
Five-Franc Pieces	,, 203
Bar 1ver	,, 106-1
Gold Leaf	,, 15-1
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	,, 16
Australian Gold	,, 196-76

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—APRIL 21.

Scottowe, Major, Staff, on leave, from Wellington.

Hulse, Veterinary Surgeon, Indian Service, on leave, from Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.—APRIL ..

Murray, Ensign, 25th King's Own Borderers, on duty, to Bareilly

Strong, Captain, 10th Bengal Cavalry, on duty, to Sealkote.

Beal, Captain, 30th Foot, on duty, to Peshawur.

Mahony, Ensign, 13th Regiment, to join, to Jubbulpore.

McKay, Lieutenant, 58th Light Infantry, to join, to Meean Meer

Hervey, Colonel, Thuggee Department, on duty, to Guzerat.

POONA DIVISION ORDERS.

By the Major-General Commanding P. D. A.

Poona, 30th March 1870.

The undermentioned officers have obtained leave:—

1-2nd Queen's—Lieutenant Hughes, for 60 days from date of departure, on privilege leave.

1-2nd Queen's—Lieutenant Mackie, for 60 days from date of departure, on privilege leave.

Poona, 31st March 1870.

Colonel Moore, Assistant Adjutant General, Poona Division Army, having received thirty days leave of absence on medical certificate from the 1st April 1870, will make over charge of his office to Major Park, 23rd Regiment N. I.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
1	Africa (s)	Bazzolini	Genoa, Feb. 14.
	H. M. S. Malabar	Rich	Suez, Mar. 17.

DEPARTURES.

April.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
1	Bhowmuggur	Nacoda	Mauritius.
	Prince Oscar	Long	Calcutta.
	Travancore (s)	Eastley	China, &c.
	General Outram (s)	Teesdale	Cutch Mandvee.
	Phlox (s)	Baker	Coast and Goa.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday—

Ship Agamemnon, George, to London.
Ship River Krishna, Rice, to Calcutta.
Ship Sandringham, Paton, to Liverpool.
Ship Tweed, Stuart, to London.
Ship City of York, Auld, to Havre.
Ship Eastern Light, McFee, to Calcutta.

The following vessels began to load yesterday—

Ship Mgaram Dyaram, to Calcutta.
Ship Celestial Empire, to Liverpool.
Ship Ophelia, to Liverpool.
Ship Persia, to Liverpool.

THE HOOGHLY.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 27	Punjaub (s)	Starratt	Moulmein, Mar 20
	Nagpore	Benynon	Liverpool, Dec 20
	Waverley	Spoon	Liverpool, Dec 9

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 27	Gondola		
	India		

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 26	Sidione Madeleine	Karical
27	Buscker (s)	Bombay and Southern Ports

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 26	P & O S Surat	Calcutta
27	H M S Galatea	Ceylon

Now Ready, Price 1½d.

THE INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE FOR APRIL;

PRICE—EIGHT ANNAS.

CONTAINING the latest alterations in the time of running of the Trains on the various Lines of Railway, the time tables of the Local Trains between Bombay and Bandora, on the B. B. and C. I. and G. I. P. Lines, Steamer time tables, in addition to a large amount of interesting and useful information to travellers.

The Guide, having a large circulation amongst travellers, by rail and otherwise, is a most effective medium for advertisements.

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AGENTS

Bombay and Poona:—Messrs. Cheeson and Woodhall.
Bombay:—Messrs. Thacker, Vining & Co.
Poona:—Messrs. Ewaughs & Co.
Alexandria:—Messrs. D. Robertson, and
London:—Mr. G. Street 30 Cornhill.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAILS.

The Overland Mail, per P. and O. Co.'s steam packets having been appointed to leave Bombay on every SUNDAY morning in future, commencing from 3rd April 1870, the following alterations in the closing hours of the Overland Mail will have effect from the same date:—

The Mails will close at the General Post Office at 7 P.M. on every Saturday.

The after-packet will remain open till 6 A.M. on Sunday, for the reception of letters on which the usual fee of 8 annas is prepaid by stamp in addition to the postage.

Registered letters will be received up to 4 P.M. on Saturday.

The latest hour for posting Overland covers at the several branch post offices will be 5 P.M.

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS TO BOMBAY.

Revised Table of the hours for closing the Inland Mails on and after the 1st April 1870, and until further notice.

MAILS.	Latest hours for posting		
	At General Post Office.		At Branch Post Offices.
	Ordinary Letters & Papers.	After Packet Letters.	
For Bengal, N. W. Provinces, Punjab, Central Provinces, Malwa, and for the following Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway—Wassind, Kussara, Egutpoora, Nasick, Mumnar, Nandgaum, Chali-gaum; and those from Bhosawul to Jubbulpore	11 A.M.	12 NOON.	10 A.M.
For the following Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway—Shapore, Khurdee, Deolalee, Niphar, Vinchoor (Lasuigaum), Pachora, Mhyjee, Mussawud, Julgaum; and those on the Branch Line from Bhosawul to Nagpore	7-30 A.M.		(5 P.M. previous day.
For the Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Poona, Deccan, S. M. Country, Madras Presidency; also for Ahmednuggur and Seroor	12 NOON.	1 P.M.	11 A.M.
For ditto on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, as far as Poona	8 A.M.		(5 P.M. previous day.
For ditto on the B. B. and C. I. Railway, for Guzerat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattiawar, and Kutch	3-30 A.M.	4-30 A.M.	(5 P.M. previous day.
For ditto in Southern Concan, i. e., for Penn, Nagotna, Mhar, Khoti, Dapoolee, and Ratnagherry	6 A.M.		(5 P.M. previous day.

Registered letters and banghy parcels for despatch by all mails, will be received except on Sundays, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

BAKER—March 31st, at Poona, Florian Edward, infant son of Captain W. A. Baker, R.E.

BENGAL.

BIRTH.

SHERRIFF—March 27th, at Calcutta, the wife of Mr R. W. Sherriff, of a son.

DEATH.

ELIAS—March 14th, at Circular Road, Calcutta, Mrs. Florence Maria Elias, née Jebb, aged 91 years.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES, &c.

BIRTH.

GARSTIN—March 19th, at Almorah, the wife of Captain C. J. Garstin, of a son.

DEATH.

BURNEY—March 25th, at Dehra, Major-General Burney, H. M.'s Bengal Army.

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1870.

CURRENCY questions are among the most delicate with which the legislator has to deal. There are few subjects which create so much irritation, or such fierce differences of opinion. The reasons are plain enough. In the first place in meddling, or not meddling with currency, you touch that sensitive organ the breeches pocket; and in the next place, if you secure the sanction of one set of money doctors, you chafe the susceptibilities of another. The rough material interests of the bulk of men are affected, at the same time that the vanity of philosophers is set all aglow with delight at the realization of favourite plans, or with anger that favourite plans are not preferred. We have often thought that no two men agree upon a single proposition, still less upon a course of action, where monetary theories are in dispute Every doctor qualifies his acceptance of every other doctors's prescription. Those who, in the main, support the Act of 1844 at home, take endless exceptions; and it passed, no doubt, upon a tacit understanding that nobody should have his way except the great master of compromises. Why have we not a gold coinage? Because a great compromiser has not yet turned up who can devise a practical measure which all the doctors will grumblingly accept, because it embodies nobody's pet theory and secures nobody's triumph.

The Government of India, through Sir Richard Temple, proposes to touch the paper currency. Well; one thing is certain—there will be "voices from the Banks." We have one already before us—the Bank of Bengal, shall we say, speaking through the trumpet of the *Englishman*. We are told that "in Banking circles it [the proposed enlargement of the currency] is regarded with disquietude and apprehension." No doubt that troubled feeling in the veins and arteries of money is a factor in the controversy; but *prima facie* it is, for the public, ground of suspicion—not of the proposed measure, but of the motive of disquiet. The Banking interest is very important and very useful, and we shall never under-rate its value. But it is not everything. We have to look beyond the margin of Banking circles into and over the great world. The question to be answered is, not whether the project of the Finance Minister is good for the Banks and conducive to their peace of mind, but whether the project is good for the public? Is there a limit to useful issues of Government notes, and have we reached the limit? If we have not, then from time to time the question must recur, can we take a further step—add to the existing quantity one million or two millions? That is the point to be determined. Is more paper wanted for the ordinary purposes of business, and the ordinary transactions of men? We have entered on the path, but have we reached the goal, or a goal where it behoves us to abide for the present. The reasoning by which the bill is opposed at Calcutta implies, though it does not state, that we have come to the end of our tether, and that no further advance is practicable, except at the cost of mischief. But that argument is of no value, because there is no reason to believe that the external and internal trade of India, and the general movement of transactions, have arrived at a climax. The argument from the fact of expansion is altogether in favour of Sir Richard Temple. The currency has grown in eight years from three millions and a third to eleven millions and three quarters. Well; is that the *ne plus ultra*? Has the steady rise of eight years reached high-water mark? If not, discuss the question on the commonsense ground—Do you want any more? We are answered "No," because the Banks hold reserves in notes and not in coin, and because the said notes in the strong box are not in circulation. Literally they are not—neither is a thousand Rupee note which Jones keeps in his desk. What is active circulation, and how can it be ascertained? What constitutes circulation? The word implies incessant movement, but the movement of money is not incessant—it is only a portion of money which is constantly shifting from hand to hand. Surely it is not a sound proposition that there should be no more money than what can be a kept in incessant motion—in circulation? Surely the quantum of a currency must be governed by other considerations than those of mere circulation. Some portion is wanted for what you call "reserves," and it cannot be meant that these reserves are useless because they are not in circulation! But if the Banks, "ignoring the convenience of notes," made a run upon the Currency Department? If the public, it may be answered, ignoring the convenience of Banks, made a run upon them and took to hoarding? If any other unreasonable thing were to happen? If the public ignored the convenience of notes—what would happen? It is far more to the purpose to say if the Banks were suddenly called upon to find money—meaning silver—for trade purposes, and rushed at the Currency Department in their extremity? But that only brings us to the question of the proportion which it may be expedient to maintain between paper issues and cash reserves. A paper currency could never exist if men were so constituted as never to trust in its convertibility, or if all men, bankers included, wanted change for notes at the same moment. The experience of years shows that a proportion of notes is always passing, unconverted, from hand to hand. What is the proportion? That is the question. How much coin is amply sufficient to render certain the instant convertibility of the notes likely to be presented? Experience has shown that a sum far below the aggregate amount of the whole note circulation is sufficient; and the point now is, can another million be added to the paper without any increase in the coin, and without risk? Supposing trade were to expand, and the reserves in the Banks now so large, were to be decreased by an active demand for money, does it follow that all the money must be coined money, and that no one would take advances in paper? Surely that is not so. The argument that the Bank reserves in paper are not to count, because not in circulation, is not valid against the bill. It proceeds upon a confusion, whether intended or not, between circulation, an indefinite, and currency a tolerably definite thing.

We are not prepared to dogmatize and assert that Sir Richard Temple has produced unanswerable arguments in favour of the change he recommends; but we have not seen yet any unanswerable arguments against it. Others will have to be heard, and there will certainly not be any reserve of speech, judging from the indications visible to close observers. But let the disputants stick to the point—is another million wanted? Against one argument of Sir Richard Temple's we must protest. He seems to have been moved by a desire to obtain something for the Government out of the paper currency. That is not a legitimate motive for legislation. "The Government in this country," he said, "is hardly deriving from its paper currency the full advantage to which it is entitled." From our point of view the Government is entitled to no advantage, except such as unavoidably flows from the issue of paper for public convenience. Least of all is it entitled, solely for the purpose of securing an advantage, to expand its issues. Were that object admitted as legitimate, the temptation to augment the paper by investments in Government Securities would be one to which no Government should be subjected. In issuing money, whether coin or paper, the Government is trustee for the public, and ought not to make an office of trust one of gain. The advantages which now accrue are consequent upon the adoption of measures for the general good; but no Government should permit a desire for the augmentation of those advantages to tempt it into a special course of legislation. The expediency or inexpediency of the project must be decided on broader and more legitimate grounds.

THE fuller and official report of Sir Richard Temple's remark about the Elphinstone Land Transfer explains the enigmatical sentence on which we yesterday commented. His words were "that the arrangement which the Hon'ble Mr. Chapman had described would not involve any annual charge on the general revenues of the country; the charge would be transferred to the Bombay Harbour Trust Fund." But this leaves still unanswered our question—how are the reclamations to be completed? The new Trust will have to be richly endowed if from its resources the works are to terminate within a reasonable time. The net yield of the property, assuming that it covers the interest, will not, for years, furnish a surplus large enough to keep the works going with vigour. Is the meaning of the Finance Minister that, having bought the property, the Supreme Government will not appropriate a single pie towards the finishing of the reclamation?

THE "Englishman" believes the Toungso Penlow has been elected Deb Rajah of Bhootan.

MR JOHN CAMPBELL has been appointed to the Chief Court, Punjab, in Mr. D. Simson's place.

WE regret to notice an announcement of the death of Major-General Burney at Dehra on the 25th March.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL RAINES, C.B., has been granted sixty days' privilege leave, from the 1st April, and proceeds to Mahableshwur on private affairs.

THE "Madras Times" reports a rather serious outbreak among the convicts in the Central Jail at Trichinopoly. A constable was shot at and severely wounded and no hopes of his recovery are entertained. Several other constables were wounded, and it was some time before tranquillity could be restored.

THE expenses of the Bhamo Expedition are set down, says a contemporary, at a little upwards of £8,000. The other political expenses of British Burmah in 1868-69 were £3,600, the price of muskets presented to the King of Burmah, and £1,000 spent in building a bazaar for the wild tribes of the Arakan hills.

THE "Indian Daily News" says—"It has been rumoured at Bombay that His Excellency Sir Seymour Fitzgerald will shortly proceed to England for the purpose of giving his evidence there before the Abyssinian Commission." So a Poona paper said some days ago, but any sensible rumour there was referred, no doubt, to Mr. Gerald Fitzgerald, His Excellency's Private Secretary, who sailed for England on Monday last.

REFERRING to the nomination of Mr. Aitchison and Colonel Lumsden to be Companions of the Star of India the "Englishman" remarks—"We understand that it is usual on all grand ceremonies in which the Royal Family takes a part,—such as the recent investiture of H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh with the Star of India,—to confer a mark of the sovereign's favour on those to whom are intrusted the chief duties in the ceremony, and we are glad to find that the honour has fallen on two such distinguished representatives of the civil and military services."

THE following telegram from Colonel Trevor of Bombay, dated the 27th ult., and in reference to the G. I. P. Railway, is published in the Calcutta papers:—"Goods trains will be run as per passenger time-table from 1st April, and will, if required, carry mails. The Sukkur bridge will not be finished till 8th or 10th April. Brereton objects to allowing passengers on line and will fix no date by which he will open. Marryat leaves to-morrow; and will telegraph direct to you from Jubbulpore if passengers are to be booked or not. Seven out of the eight girder beams of the Sukkur were up yesterday."

THE Financial Department (we learn from Calcutta), having discovered that expenditure which would otherwise be postponed is often incurred in the month of March, so as to prevent lapses of budget grants, has called the attention of all the local Governments to the fact, and requested them to warn all disbursing officers against the disbursement of all public money entrusted to them "upon any grounds other than those considerations of economy and expediency which should guide all public expenditure." It is also added that the disbursement of money may be fairly expedited so long as all the rules are regularly observed, but it should never be irregularly hurried in order to prevent the necessity of applying for a fresh grant.

IN the latter part of our leader of yesterday we stated that the remaining Generals of Division in this Presidency—after one of the four had been abolished—were all officers of the Royal Army. We were mistaken in this, for we now find that only one of the three Divisions will be held by a Queen's officer. Major-General Tepp is an Indian officer, and Major-General Sir George Malcolm will be probably transferred from Sind to Mhow Division, to complete his term of five years on the staff; and as the Poona Brigade has been abolished Brigadier-General Addison, C.B., would be transferred from Poona to Kurrachee, the latter becoming a second class brigade. By this arrangement the Queen's officers lose a Division and the Indian officers one Brigade (Neemuch). Major-General Grant, C.B., Commanding at Mhow, has, we understand, been ordered to Poona Division, and in consequence of the number of European troops in that command that Division will become hereafter the permanent Queen's officers' Division.

THE THROUGH LINE TO CALCUTTA.

At eleven o'clock last night, Mr. Conder, General Traffic Manager of the G. I. P. Railway, telegraphed from Jubbulpore that he had just arrived with the mail train from Bombay, all right.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

[PER REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, 30TH MARCH, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day was dull. Fair Dhollera 9¼d.

Exchange on India, 60 days, 1s. 11⅜d. to 1s. 11½d.

The steamer Syrian, from Southampton, takes out £10,500 in gold and £115,500 (?) in silver to Bombay.

LONDON, 31ST MARCH.

The P. and O. steamer Nubia has arrived at Suez.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Behar, Captain W. B. Hall, will sail from Bombay to-morrow for Aden and Suez with the following passengers:—

For Southampton—Mrs Eccles and two infants, Mrs Crawford and infant, Mr and Mrs A Bulman and three infants, Mr Firth, Mr and Mrs Gammon, Mrs Herring and four children, Mrs Gurdon and infant, Mr P Ball and wife, Mrs Weldon and three infants, Mrs Vivian and infant, Mrs Arthur Cory and infant, Captain and Mrs T A Scott and two children, Captain John Henry Warnes, Captain David George Sandeman, Mrs Barnes and four children, Mrs Murray and infant, Mr Macfarlane, Captain Beddy, Dr and Mrs Wyndowe and two children, Captain Pinhey, Captain and Mrs Fitzgerald and three children, Captain Sherlock, Mr Wingate, and Mr H J Lyons.

For Marseilles—Mr Henry R Clarke, Colonel Barron, Mr G Noble Taylor, Sir William and Lady Turner, Mr and Mrs A E Russell and infant, Mr Lorne, Colonel J R McMullen, Mrs R H. Stuart, Sir Walter and Lady Morgan and two children, Mr Lemon, Colonel Kennedy, Mr Parry, Major and Mrs Graves, Mr and Mrs Brunton and infant, Captain McGillivray, Mr J S Smith, Mr and Mrs D P Cama, Mr P R Cama, Mr C A Stack, Mr T Smith, Mr Henry Victor, Mr Tottenham, Mr Doyle, Mr J J Mackenzie, Mr D Munro, Mr Hurst, and Mr and Mrs A H Campbell.

For Suez—Mr and Mrs Sandys, Colonel Annesly, Major Thorp, Dr Ward, Colonel R Strachey, Mr Cunningham Hudson, Mr George Bukham, Mr A E A Ashley, Mr R E Master, Mr and Mrs Guerdon, Mr A Rolland, Mr W S Rolland, Mr J M Webster, Colonel Cockburn Hood, Mr Fryer, Captain Kelly, Mr and Mrs Lockwood, Mr Findlay, Mr Bichoff, Captain Parry and Mr G H Grant.

For Aden—Mr Walter Hampton, Mr Henry Brown, Mr D O'Brien, wife and three children.

REVIEW.

HISTORY OF ENGLAND FROM THE FALL OF WOLSEY TO THE DEFEAT OF THE SPANISH ARMADA. By JAMES ANTHONY FROUDE, M.A.—Reign of Elizabeth, Vols. 5 and 6. London: Longmans, Green & Co., 1870.

THE publication of these two volumes completes Mr. Froude's great historical work. They form the fifth and sixth volumes upon the reign of Elizabeth, but the eleventh and twelfth of the entire series. They begin with the exploits of Drake in 1573, and end with the defeat of the Spanish Armada in 1588. That a period of only fifteen years is covered by these two large volumes affords strong *primâ facie* evidence at least of the thoroughness of the history. It has been part of Mr. Froude's plan throughout to bring together, digest, and carefully set forth the State papers and other documents, public and private, bearing upon the time in question. His object is not to paint, as it were, with a big brush, and produce pictures which look best at a distance. His anxiety is rather faithfully to fill in his foreground with all matters of detail which shall best illustrate the events and characters of which he treats. In ordinary hands this *minute* mode of writing history would soon degenerate into mere tediousness, but in his the effect is quite the reverse. His evident mastery of the subject—arrived at only after deep study—and the excellence of his judgment in knowing what to reject, as well as what to select, prevent his book from being a mere product of elaboration. Every page bears ample testimony to the vast toil and research which Mr. Froude must have undergone in its composition, but that is not all. The matured intellect, skilful reasoning, and the practised hand are no manifest as the care and trouble. The result is a work which, in these rather degenerate days of our literature, is an honour to the English Press. Up to a comparatively recent period, the best and most ample materials for writing the history of the reign of Elizabeth were lying hid in manuscript form in the archives of Spain. These were the *Simancas MSS.*, as they are now called, or the despatches which Don Bernardino Mendoza sent to Spain, while he was an Ambassador at the English Court. The discovery of these and other materials of which Mr. Froude has largely availed himself, has cast an altogether new and unexpected light upon this portion of English history. Since the publication of these last six volumes, our ordinary history books would require to be re-written and their verdicts reversed. To no character of that period does that apply more than to Elizabeth herself. The "good" or at least "great" Queen Bess of our early teaching is neither good nor great any longer. Our author shows, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that Elizabeth, in place of being what she is generally represented to be, was a mean, lying, selfish, cruel woman, whose dishonourable and dangerous conduct frequently involved this country in great trouble, and whose greed and niggardliness nearly covered us with incalculable disaster and disgrace. It is the greatest mistake in the world to suppose that she was by nature brave, noble, and resolute of will. The more we hear of her in these pages, the more are we convinced that her mind was for the most part little else than a compound of cunning and caprice. As a woman, she could never make up her mind, nor did she care to take the responsibility of any new or dangerous course upon herself. If the plan turned out successful, she took all the credit; if unsuccessful, her Ministers had all the blame. The story of her courtship with the Duke of Alençon, the King of France's brother, as it is unfolded in this fifth volume, is simply a disgrace as well to her head as to her heart. It is quite clear that she had no particular love for the Reformation; nay, on one occasion she told Mendoza, the Spanish Ambassador, that she would reconsider the question of her secession from the Church of Rome. "Her interest in Protestantism was limited to political independence;" for the thing in itself she "never concealed her dislike and contempt." The only way in which the common notions regarding Elizabeth can be accounted for is in the general success of her reign. But this success was not due to her, but to her Ministers, whom she was continually thwarting. Let us cull one or two sentences from these volumes to give the reader an idea of the estimate which our author entertains of the Queen's character:—"Her entire nature was saturated with artifice. Except when speaking some round untruth Elizabeth never could be simple. Her letters and her speeches were as fantastic as her dress, and her meaning is involved as her policy. She was not natural even in her prayers, and she carried her affectations into the presence of the Almighty. Obligations of honour were not only occasionally forgotten by her, but she did not seem to understand what honour meant. Vain as she was of her own sagacity, she never modified a course recommended to her by Burghley without injury both to the realm and to herself. The great results of her reign were the fruits of a policy which was not her own, and which she starved and mutilated when energy and completeness were needed." As a set-off to this dark picture, it must be admitted that in her manners she was frank and popular, ready-witted and fond of holding personal intercourse with her subjects, and especially with her chief men. Her deep insight into human character generally enabled her to select the best men for important posts, and though, with the exception of Drake, who filled her coffers with Spanish wealth, she rewarded their services most shabbily, yet she seldom cast them off except when some political necessity seemed to demand it. The nation was governed cheaply, and dexterously guided through the more than once imminent perils of a civil war. Mr. Froude regards as one of the finest features in her character her great contempt of personal danger. For thirty years she braved the assassin's stroke with a defiance that was almost heroic. It is but fair to add also that throughout the enormous mass of Mendoza's correspondence at Simancas, "there is not a single imputation upon the personal character of Elizabeth." There seems, therefore, no truth in the scandal which has recently been affixed to her name in consequence of her relations with Leicester. It was a matter of rare good luck both for England and Elizabeth that there flourished at this time ministers and statesmen whose superior, perhaps we should say, whose like, Great Britain has never seen. Justly does Mr. Froude characterize them as "the wisest that ever served a European prince." In Burghley, Cecil, Walshingham, and Sussex, the Queen had advisers whose political insight was never at fault, and whose counsels were as straightforward as they were sagacious. Even Leicester we find occasionally turning aside from his loves and frivolities and giving Elizabeth noteworthy advice. What with the underhand practices of their sovereign and their conflicting interests with other countries, it is awarding these men but scant praise to say that they had a most difficult part to play. Yet their unbounded love of country, their sturdy character and great energy excited respect and fear from their enemies and pulled the vessel through. Nor was the nation well served with her Ministers at home only. Abroad, too, the subtle diplomacy, boldness and varied accomplishments of such men as Cobham, Sir John Smith, and Sir Philip Sidney, were more than a match for the craft and treachery of the Courts to which they were accredited. Altogether this was a remarkable era: and as we read its history as recorded in these volumes, we become familiar not merely with the state of England, Ireland and Scotland, but also with the doings and character of the leading European Sovereigns and their Ministers. Philip of Spain, Henry of France, the Duke of Alençon, the Prince of Orange, Mary and James of Scotland, Mendoza, and a host of others all pass in review before us as vividly as if they belonged to ourselves. The reason is that at this time the whole of the Continent was in a continual ferment, and England was never slack in mingling in the fray. The doctrine of non-intervention was then unknown: the balance of power was the ever-recurring question of the day. Hence it is that perhaps the greater part of those two volumes is taken up with a description of the part that England took in the struggles of the Netherlands, sometimes as against Spain, sometimes as against France, and sometimes as against both combined. No insignificant portion of this history also is occupied with a graphic account of the troubles of Scotland and the various political parties there. The character of James is splendidly drawn; but in his estimate of Mary we think that Mr. Froude has been eminently unjust, perhaps not so much to her, as to himself. If her guilt against Elizabeth and the English nation is as clear as he holds it to be, there was no use in trying to import prejudice into her case by calling her hard names and imputing to her all manner of corrupt motives when she faced her judges or bared her neck upon the block. Just before her trial he speaks of her as a bad, unscrupulous, and altogether wicked woman, whose nature was best compared to that of "a panther"—graceful, beautiful, malignant, and untamable." When Mary persists in asserting her innocence, it is treated as "bravado," when she opens her mouth, her "keen tongue" is said "to save her well;" by her looks and dress she is represented as attempting to cast a spell over her judges; and her seeming love of her religion and the cross is regarded as mere "ingenuity" and affectation. Even to her scaffold Mr. Froude appears to pursue her with the keenest bitterness and prejudice. We are no advocate of Mary Stuart's: but it strikes us very forcibly that if she deserved all she got at the hands of Elizabeth, there was no need of the great pains that our author too clearly evinces to put the former in the wrong and the latter in the right. The fact is that much of Mr. Froude's reasoning on this part of his subject is very weak and unsatisfactory; and we cannot help thinking that all through in his estimate of this woman he has been carried away by the feelings of a clever advocate, rather than those of an impartial judge. His description of the defeat of the Spanish Galleons and the flight of the Armada is well told; and the mean and heartless conduct of Elizabeth towards her chief officers after the victory is lashed with the severity it deserved. Mr. Froude concludes his majestic work with a spirited sketch of the blessings which accrued to England from the defeat of the Armada, and the results which would have probably followed had the battle gone the other way. That battle, he submits, finally put to rest "the question whether the nation was to pass a second time through the farce of a reconciliation with Rome," and as his object from the outset was "to describe the transition from the Catholic England with which the century opened into the England of progressive intelligence," he holds that his history more fitly ends with the defeat of the Armada than with the death of Elizabeth.

A GOOD SAMARITAN.

THE North German barque Mars, with a cargo of coal from Liverpool, arrived in this harbour on Tuesday evening the 29th ultimo, after an unusually long voyage of 181 days, during which the crew had to suffer much, in consequence of their provisions and water having run short. Scurvy had broken out amongst the men, and the master's conduct had been such, that all hands agreed that it was imperative for the safety of the ship and of all on board to take the command from him. He was accordingly on the 24th February deprived of all arms and confined in his cabin, where he was kept under restraint until the ship's arrival at Bombay. On Wednesday last the captain and crew attended before the Consul of the North German Confederation, who after careful investigation of the charges brought against the master, ordered his removal from the ship and appointed the chief officer to the temporary command. On the 10th March the Mars had the good fortune to fall in with the British ship Becherdass Ambaidass of Liverpool, bound for Bombay, to whom the distressed German crew made signals, which were readily answered. Captain A. A. McInnes, of the Becherdass Ambaidass, with that kind-heartedness and generosity which are characteristic of all true seamen, supplied the afflicted foreigners with fresh water, lime juice, and wholesome provisions, which we may be sure were accepted with grateful hearts. On the 21st ultimo, the Mars met the Spanish steamer Ebro, bound from Bombay for Barcelona, from whom she received a further supply of fresh water, which, in the great heat they had to suffer, was a most acceptable present to the German crew. The chief officer in command of the Mars reported these acts of kindness to the German Consul at Bombay, who addressed the following letter to Captain McInnes:—

CONSULATE OF THE NORTH GERMAN CONFEDERATION.
Bombay, 31st March.

To Captain A. A. McInnes, British ship Becherdass Ambaidass, Bombay Harbour.

DEAR SIR,—The chief officer of the North German barque Mars, M. Herman Seegers, who is at present in command, reported to me on his arrival that on the 10th instant he met you at sea, and that you had the kindness to provide the ship's company of the Mars, who were then very short of water and provisions, with 110 gallons of water, 2 dozen tins of preserved meats, 25 lbs. preserved potatoes, and 1 dozen bottles of lime juice, thereby rendering them a very great service, which on the part of the owner of the Mars and on behalf of the Government of the North German Confederation, I have very great pleasure in hereby acknowledging.

I request you to be good enough to send me a bill for the cost of these provisions, in order that the same may be refunded to you, and I will also thank you to communicate this letter to your owners, in order that they may hear of your benevolent action and of the appreciation with which it is regarded by those whom you succoured in their need and by your most obedient servant,

A. C. GUMPERT,
Consul for the North German Confederation.

DEPARTURE OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH FROM MADRAS

[JUDGMENTS IN CASE OF BANK OF BOMBAY VS. ORIENTAL BANK, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4.]

SIR CHARLES SARGENT'S JUDGMENT.

The facts of this case have been so fully stated by my learned colleague that it would be a waste of time for me to refer to them further than is necessary to explain the conclusions at which I have arrived. As to what occurred at the meeting of the 26th April at the office of the Bank of Bombay there is no material difference in the evidence given by the several persons present on that occasion. It is admitted by them, one and all, that Mr. Lidderdale gave as the reason of his having invited the attendance of the bank managers (amongst whom was Mr. Moir, the agent of the Oriental Banking Corporation), that Premchund Roychund had applied to the Bank of Bombay for a loan of 25 lacs to meet pressing liabilities, and that unless he obtained it he would be compelled to stop payment. That 25 lacs was a larger sum than the Bank felt justified in lending, and that he sought the co-operation of the other banks. That it was stated that the applicant was prepared to give securities. That there was a general expression of opinion in which Mr. Moir joined, as to the importance of preventing the disastrous consequences to commerce which, it was considered by all present, would probably result from Premchund's failure, and a readiness expressed by the several bank managers and agents to join with the Bank of Bombay in rendering Premchund the assistance he required—and that the meeting was adjourned till next morning at Mr. Lidderdale's bungalow, in order to obtain the attendance of the bank managers who had not been present that day, and to enable Premchund to lay before them a statement of his liabilities and the securities he was prepared to give; but as Mr. Lidderdale admitted on cross examination, without any resolution having been come to of any kind whatever beyond the agreement to meet next morning at his bungalow. Accordingly on the 27th the same persons assembled, with the addition of Mr. Beattie, who represented the Commercial Bank and Mr. Otto Müller, the agent for the Comptoir d'Escompte, and although the witnesses differ very materially on some points, I think that on a close examination of the evidence this difference will be found to be rather as to what each witness understood or inferred than as to what was expressly agreed to. Now as to what happened on that occasion, the following facts would appear to be not in dispute, or at any rate to result clearly from the evidence. That Mr. Lidderdale repeated his previous statement as to the object of calling the meeting. That the discussion was renewed as to the advisability of assisting Premchund Roychund, and that subject to the question of security, which remained to be considered, the several bank managers present, including Mr. Moir, agreed to join with the Bank of Bombay in the loan of 25 lacs in certain definite proportions, viz.:

The Bank of Bombay	10½
Oriental Banking Corporation	2½
Comptoir d'Escompte	2½
Chartered Mercantile Bank	2½
Commercial Bank	2½
Bank of Hindostan	2
Asiatic Bank	2½

That the meeting then placed itself in communication with Premchund Roychund, who was present in the verandah, through the medium of Mr. Robertson, the secretary of the plaintiff's bank, and Mr. Tracey, one of its directors, and, after some negotiation, came to an understanding with him that the loan should be secured by a promissory note with three sureties, a mortgage of certain specified immoveable properties and a deposit and assignment of jewels. That the meeting (as Mr. Moir says he understood) thought the aggregate securities were sufficient, and that they might go on with the loan; and that it broke up, having decided that the loan, including in that term all the arrangements which had been come to, should be proceeded with forthwith, and that the management and carrying of it out should be entrusted to the Bank of Bombay. So far the evidence clearly establishes a mutual agreement between all the banks represented at the meeting to join in a loan of 25 lacs to Premchund Roychund. But it is stated by the defendants that it was a condition precedent of their so joining in the loan, that Premchund Roychund should give a mortgage on immoveable property to the extent of 15 lacs, and should deposit jewels to the ascertained value of 20 lacs. Now, so far as regards the immoveable property, I don't think that counsel for the defendants seriously contended that the above statement was supported by the evidence. It is plain from Mr. Moir's own evidence that the meeting accepted, as part of the security, the several properties mentioned in exhibit B, which was circulated amongst the several bank managers. That the meeting formed a rough estimate of their value—Mr. Moir says he thinks 15 lacs—and that no valuation was contemplated by the meeting, as, indeed would obviously have been impossible when the circumstances of the loan were so pressing as in the one in question. Now it is clear from the evidence of the witnesses on both sides that it was understood by the meeting that there were pressing claims which it was imperatively necessary to provide for at once, if not on the very day of the meeting—and it further results from the evidence of Mr. Beattie, Mr. Norman and Mr. Moir that it was understood that the Bank of Bombay would supply the necessary funds. Mr. Moir hints that the advance was to take the form of an exclusive risk of the Bank of Bombay. This impression of Mr. Moir—for I do not think he intended it to be regarded as more than that—which on the face of it is most improbable, after the meeting had agreed to join in the loan, is supported by evidence of the vaguest description as to some one (Mr. Moir cannot say whether it was a bank manager or Mr. Robertson) remarking that it would come out of the Bank's quota, and is distinctly denied by Mr. Beattie, a gentleman whose evidence is given with great clearness, and with whom Mr. Moir was in close communication during the meeting—he says "they were to be advanced on the joint account against securities in hand," and further on—"I never contemplated the Bank would make the advance that day unless they got the deeds." Mr. Norman says "it was agreed that the Bank should get hold of as much security as it could, and make the advance of the money required that day." Again, it is impossible to read the passage in Mr. Moir's letter to the head office in London in which he mentions that 7 or 8 lacs had been already advanced upon the security of the title deeds alone, without coming to the conclusion that he must, at that time, have regarded the advances made to meet the pressing claims, in the same light as Mr. Beattie, *i.e.*, as having been made on joint account and against securities in hand. It may be, as many of the witnesses depose, that the meeting expected that some of the jewels would be deposited that same day; but it is clear, I think, that the meeting contemplated the advances to meet the pressing claims being made against securities in hand, and certainly before all the jewels (some of which were stated to be in Surat) had been deposited and valued. The deposit therefore of jewels of the ascertained value of 20 lacs could not have been a condition precedent of the defendants entering into the loan. In any case, Mr. Moir having been informed by the letter of the 28th that advances had been made before the jewels had been deposited, and not having objected, the bank must be deemed to have waived its right to insist upon any such condition precedent. Now the Bank of Bombay, whether as manager of the loan and agent for and on behalf of all the other banks, or as one of the several banks engaged in the common venture, would of course be entitled to be indemnified by the other banks for all sums properly advanced on their account, and to recover the same as money paid to the use and at the request of the several banks; and when it is remembered that this was no ordinary loan to be carried into effect at leisure, but was required to meet pressing claims, the precise amount and nature of which, as I shall have afterwards occasion to show, were not known to the meeting—that the Bank of Bombay had to reconcile the urgency of the transaction with the necessary precaution as to the securities, and lastly that there were six other banks from whom, when the meeting broke up, it was supposed that the quotas would have to be collected—it is, I think, pre-eminently a case in which the rule as to the implied authority of an agent to do all things necessary to the fulfilment of the object and purpose for which he is appointed, should receive the most liberal application, and that it is only reasonable to hold that in the absence of any clear and express understanding to the contrary, the Bank of Bombay had an implied authority to advance the funds required for the loan in the first instance, if it should find it either necessary or convenient to do so. Now I see no reason to doubt that the managers of the several banks, as they one and all tell us, expected to be called on for their quotas as soon as funds were required for the loan. The fact that the Bank of Bombay, after the meeting, expressly agreed with two of the contributory banks not to require immediate payment of their quotas, but to debit them in their accounts, points to this as the general expectation amongst the bank managers. But I do not understand any of the witnesses as saying that this was expressly agreed to. On the other hand, the directors of the Bank of Bombay, one and all, say that they considered they were to finance the loan, and to call up the quotas when they thought proper, either at once or during the progress of the loan, or when the result was known; nor is this inconsistent with their entering into the above arrangement with the two banks. Whether the Bank of Bombay ought not to have informed the other banks of their having made the advances so that they might have at once repaid the Bank of Bombay, and, not having done so, can now claim interest on those advances is another question. But I can find no evidence of such a distinct understanding having been come to at the meeting as could deprive the Bank of Bombay of its right to be indemnified for advances in other respects properly and *bona fide* made on account of the other banks. But independently of these considerations the defendant's Bank is, in my opinion, precluded from taking this objection by the conduct of Mr. Moir on the 15th of May when the document circulated amongst the bank managers for their signature was seen and read by Mr. Moir. He was then informed by the recitals in that instrument that the Bank of Bombay had already made, or intended making the advances for the other banks; and he tells us that he made no other objection to signing the document other than that it did not contain the clause he pencilled in the margin relating to the transfer of the securities. Such conduct, I cannot but think, amounts to an acquiescence in the course adopted by the Bank of Bombay, and is alone sufficient to prevent the defendants' bank taking the objection that the advances alleged to have been made on their account were made without authority. But it is said by the defendants that, as a matter of fact, no advances were made on account of the contracting banks, but that the plaintiffs treated the agreement with those banks as abandoned, and really advanced the 25 lacs on their own account. Now it is clear that the Bank of Bombay commenced making the advances on the basis of that agreement, for we find Mr. Robertson (the secretary of the Bank, to whom, we are told by Mr. Lidderdale, that the carrying out of the loan was entrusted) writing, on the 28th April to Mr. Douglas, the manager of the Chartered Bank of India and China, telling him what had been done, and asking him to join in the arrangement; and again, on the same day, writing to Mr. Moir, informing him what advances had already been made and what he intended doing. Again, on the 15th of May the agreement to which I have just alluded was sent round by the plaintiffs' bank to the several contributory banks for their signatures, binding them to pay the advances made on their account by the plaintiff's Bank, and on the 25th of May and on the 28th July on the eve of the note falling due and subsequently on the visit of Mr. Robertson to Mr. Moir, the advances are uniformly treated as having been made on the basis of the agreement. But it was said that the intention to treat the loan as exclusively their own is shewn by the Bank not calling up the quotas either before or shortly after the advances were made, nor debiting the several banks with their quotas in their accounts with them, either when the advances were made or on the 30th July when the note became due, or when the balances were transferred to the New Bank of Bombay. But the not calling up the quotas is consistent with what the directors say was the understanding, viz., that they should finance the loan, and their not debiting them in account when the advances were made or when the balances were paid over to the New Bank of Bombay, would appear to be only the usual course of dealing, as Mr. Moir says, it would have been sharp practice to have debited them in account before there was an ascertained liability. There is nothing, therefore, in my opinion, in the conduct of the plaintiffs which shews that they ever intended to treat the agreement between themselves and the other banks as abandoned, and to make the loan on their own account.

I now pass to the consideration of the manner in which the Bank of Bombay fulfilled the trust reposed in them as managers for and on behalf of all the other banks and carried out the loan in question. The evidence shews that the title deeds of the immoveable property were in the hands of the Bank on the 27th April 1866—that on that same day the Bank telegraphed to their up-country branches to discount Premchund's bills drawn against cotton, to the extent of 8 lacs. That early on the 28th Premchund deposited the greater part of his jewels, and on the 30th, in the presence of Mr. Robertson, stated that he had given for them 15 or 16 lacs, according to the evidence of Mr. Fraser, or 12 lacs according to Premchund's own evidence. That Mr. Curvoisier was sent for on the 30th and came the following day, and after examining the greater part of the jewels, including all the most important, assigned a value to them much below the amount at which they were estimated by Premchund. That owing to the great discrepancy between the values assigned by Mr. Curvoisier and those given by Premchund, Mr. Fraser thought it right to communicate the result to the Board, which was then sitting. That on his going to do so, he saw Mr. Robertson and Mr. Tracey and told them. That nothing further was done to ascertain the value of the jewels until the 3rd of May when Mr. Crawford was called in, and on the 8th he reported that they were, in his opinion, worth Rs. 2,74,292. That the rest of the jewels were deposited some seven or eight days after the first batch, and were reported on the 23rd May by Mr. Crawford to be worth Rs. 61,255. It further appears from the account of the loan in the books of the Bank of Bombay, as explained by Mr. Rodgie, that up to the 1st of May inclusive, the day on which the valuation by Mr. Curvoisier took place, loose upon 18 lacs had been advanced, and that by the 1st of May, or when Mr. Crawford commenced his valuation of the first batch of jewels and before the deposit of the second batch, all but a very small portion of the entire 25 lacs had been actually advanced and authority given to the agents of the Bank up-country as to the rest. It thus appears that the greater part of the jewels which had been deposited on the 28th of April were not valued till the 1st of May—that the 25 lacs were advanced before all the jewels had been deposited, and that of these, 18 lacs were advanced before any valuation whatever had been taken place of the remaining seven after the Bank was aware, through its secretary, of Mr. Curvoirser's valuation. It was contended for the defendants that this mode of carrying out the loan was in breach of the duty of the Bank of Bombay as managers of the loan for and on behalf of all concerned. That the Bank did not exercise due diligence in having the jewels valued. That no advances should have been made before the jewels had been deposited, valued and ascertained to be worth 20 lacs, and that therefore, so far as the loan is not covered by what the securities have realized, the loss must be borne by the Bank of Bombay alone. But as a result of its own negligence. That at any rate, after the Bank became aware of Mr. Curvoirser's valuation, they should have stayed their hands until the promised amount of jewels had been deposited or have communicated with the other banks, and that their not doing so was an act of culpable negligence and breach of duty, which precludes them from all right of contribution in respect of the advances made subsequently to their having such notice. Now I have before stated that, in my opinion, the evidence satisfactorily shows that the meeting understood that there were certain pressing claims which would have to be met at once, before all the preliminary arrangements could be made, and further that it was understood by the meeting that the Bank of Bombay was to provide the necessary funds to satisfy those claims, against securities in hand, and so far therefore, as funds were required to meet those pressing claims, I entertain no doubt that the Bank of Bombay was justified in making the necessary advances before the jewels were deposited and against the securities in hand, and I think I may say that counsel for the defendants almost acquiesced in this view. But it was said that, at any rate subject to provision being made for the above claims, the Bank was not justified in making advances until the jewels had been valued. Now Mr. Moir says, "the jewels were to be deposited at once and we were to pay our quotas when the jewels had been deposited and valued, and the papers as to the assignment of them and the lands completed. I remember this circumstance perfectly, because Mr. Reilly was asked how long it would take to complete the matter, and I remember being surprised at his saying that he had no doubt it could be done in a day or two." Mr. Beattie says that before he paid his contribution, he was to be satisfied as to the securities—"these were to be handed to the Bank of Bombay—I made no stipulation. The thing was given to the Bank of Bombay in trust. It was the security." The other Bank managers speak to the same effect. I do not understand them as saying that there was an express agreement (indeed Mr Beattie admits there was not), but that it was treated as a well-understood thing and as a matter of course, that the Bank of Bombay as managers of the loan would take the usual precautions for obtaining the securities before proceeding with the loan, and they point to the discussion as to the time it would take to do this, and the express provision that the jewels should be valued, as shewing that such must have been the understanding of the meeting. Now the chairman of the Bank of Bombay and other of the directors, as Mr. Brown and Mr. Norman, admit that the jewels formed a very important part of the security, as indeed it is obvious they must have done having regard to their estimated value, whether we take it to have been between 15 or 20 lacs or 20 lacs; and also to their being of that description of security most easily available and therefore most favored by bankers. Further, the directors (with the exception of Mr. Stewart and Mr. Chapman, the latter of whom confines himself to saying he has no recollection of it) as well as Mr. Robertson, secretary of the Bank, who were present at the meeting, severally admit the truth of what is positively stated by all the bank managers, that it was expressly agreed the jewels should be valued. But, whilst making this admission they one and all insist that nothing was said as to the Bank not making advances before the jewels were valued, and that they were perfectly justified under the circumstances in doing so. Now it is admitted that the meeting had no information as to the jewels which Premchund possessed, beyond that it was supposed that he had invested largely in jewels. There was not even a list of them in the hands of the meeting, unless therefore the meeting was content to take whatever jewels Premchund might freely to deposit with the Bank, ordinary prudence suggested that they should be valued; it is not necessary to say for the purpose of ascertaining whether they were worth exactly what he estimated them at—whatever that may have been—for although I should have great difficulty in supposing that the meeting could have expected that Premchund's jewels were worth exactly what he said was their value, and not a pie less, I can have none in concluding that they must have relied upon their proximate, if not absolute, correctness

OCCASIONAL NOTES.

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It is curious to notice how bribery was punished at a time when borough members were not mere millionaires, and when the social prestige of a seat in Parliament was incalculably less than in our own days. In the Parliament of 1571 one Thomas Long, who had been returned for Westbury, was examined with reference to his election. He confessed that he gave Anthony Garland, the mayor, and one Watts, £4 for his place in Parliament; upon which the House ordered that the money should be returned to Mr. Long, fined the Corporation of Westbury £20 for the Queen's use and summoned the Mayor and Watts to answer such things as should be objected against them by the House. It does not appear that Mr. Long even lost his seat. The House, in strange opposition to its later practice, condemned the receiver and not the giver of the bribe, perhaps desiring to express its sense of the indignity committed in offering so small a sum as four pounds for the purchase of a share in the legislature of the nation.

A measure which may one day perhaps be known as the Railway Warming-pan Act, has just been read a first time in the House of Commons. It is only a short bill of three clauses, yet no fewer than five members have deemed it necessary to unite in order to bring it in; namely, Mr. Plimsoll, Mr. Alderman Carter, Mr. Richard Shaw, Mr. Rylands, and Mr. Candlish. The preamble sets forth, that "whereas the health and comfort of railway travellers is greatly promoted by a gratuitous supply of foot-warmers upon some of the principal railways of the United Kingdom, and inasmuch as the cost of supplying the same is comparatively small, it is expedient that all railway companies owning a railway exceeding twenty miles in length should be required to supply such foot-warmers or some other means of heating railway carriages in cold weather, for the benefit of the public, free of charge." The second clause, however, requires that the foot-warmers shall be furnished only to passengers travelling for more than fifteen miles. The penalty for disobeying this law *is* fixed at 40*s*.

A few days ago the Lord Chancellor had to exercise his judicial functions in an uncommon way by a trial of the pyx. A court was held at the treasury, and a jury selected from the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, to try the coin issued by the late Master of the Mint, and ascertain whether it was within the latitude of "remedy" allowed by law. This remedy, says a writer in *Nature*, amounts to twelve grains on each troy pound of gold coin, and twenty-four grains on each troy pound of silver. Portions of the test-plates were handed to the jury, who adjourned to Goldsmiths' Hall. They then opened the pyx, or chest, and tested the sample coins which had been there deposited, first by weight and then by assay. Both silver and gold were declared to be within the remedy allowed by law as to weight and fineness, and a verdict was given in favour of Mr. Graham. As the master's and moneyer's offices are abolished, this curious old custom will probably die out; but we presume that the penalty for debasing the coinage, though mitigated in severity, will still attach to some one.

The *Musical World* announces that a citizen of Columbus, Ohio, has devised his entire estate in trust for the establishment of a Cat Infirmary, which is to be fitted with every conceivable luxury, including a regular supply of rats. The inmates are to be attended by competent nurses, who, to their other qualifications, must add a practical acquaintance with the accordion. In reference to this proviso, the testator says:—"I have all my life been fond of cats, and think everything in and about man was intended to be useful, and that it is man's duty, as lord of the animals, to protect all the lesser species, even as God protects and watches over him. For these two combined reasons—first that my body, even after death, may continue to be made useful; and secondly, that it may be made instrumental, as far as possible, in furnishing a substitute for the protection of the bodies of my dear friends the cats—I do hereby devise and bequeath the intestines of my body to be made into fiddle-strings, the proceeds to be devoted to the purchase of an accordion, which shall be played in the auditorium of the Cat Infirmary by one of the regular nurses; the playing to be kept up for ever and ever, without cessation day or night, in order that the cats may have the privilege of always hearing and enjoying that instrument which is the nearest approach to their natural voice."

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